

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 15

Introduced by Assembly Member Holden

December 1, 2014

An act relating to a living wage.

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AB 15, as introduced, Holden. Living wage.

Existing law establishes a minimum wage for all industries and prescribes requirements relative to payment of prevailing wages on public works.

This bill would express the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would provide for a living wage for work performed by parties who contract with the state.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. (a) The Legislature finds and declares the
2 following:
3 (1) Raising the pay of low-wage workers increases their morale
4 and the productivity and quality of their work, lowers turnover
5 and its accompanying costs, and reduces supervisory costs.
6 (2) These savings and quality improvements will lead to
7 improved economy and efficiency in state government
8 procurement.
9 (b) Accordingly, it is the intent of the Legislature to enact
10 legislation that would increase efficiency and cost savings in the

- 1 work performed by parties who contract with the state government
- 2 by providing a living wage.

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